

REPORT OF POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

LETTER

FROM

THE POSTMASTER GENERAL,

TRANSMITTING

His annual reports to Congress, as required by sections 193, 194, and 413 of the Revised Statutes.

JANUARY 4, 1893.—Referred to the Committee on Expenditures in the Post-Office Department and ordered to be printed.

OFFICE OF THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL,
Washington, D. C., December 29, 1892.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the information of Congress, as required by sections 193, 194, and 413 of the Revised Statutes, the following reports:

First. A detailed statement of the disbursements from the contingent fund, together with the name of every person to whom any portion thereof has been paid, the articles purchased, and the price paid therefor.

Second. The names of clerks and other persons who have been employed in the Department, the time actually employed, and the sums paid each.

Third. A report of the finances of the Department for the preceding year, showing the amount of balance due the Department at the beginning of the year, the amount of postage which accrued during the year, the amount of engagements and liabilities, and the amount actually paid during the year for carrying the mail, separated so as to show how much of the amount was for carrying the mail in preceding years.

Fourth. A report showing all contracts which have been made by the Department other than for carrying the mail, with the name of the contractor, the article or thing contracted for, the place where the article was to be delivered or the thing performed, the amount paid therefor, and the date and duration of the contract.

Fifth. A report on the postal business and agencies in foreign countries.

Sixth. A report of all land and water mails established or ordered within the year, other than those let to contract at the annual letting, giving the route or water course on which the mail is established, the

name of the person employed to transport it, the mode of its transportation, the price to be paid, and the duration of the order of contract.

Seventh. A report of all allowances made to contractors above the sums originally stipulated in their respective contracts and the reasons for the same, and of all orders made whereby additional expense is incurred on any route beyond the original contract price, giving in each case the route, name of contractor, original service provided for, original price, additional service required, and the additional allowance therefor.

Eighth. A report of all curtailments of expenses effected within the preceding year, with particulars, as in preceding report.

Ninth. A report of the fines imposed on and deductions made from the pay of contractors, with the names of contractors, the nature of the delinquency, the route on which it occurred, when the fine was imposed, and whether the fine or deduction has been remitted, and, if so, for what reason.

The other information required to be furnished to Congress in regard to contracts made for carrying the mails will be transmitted at a later date. The number of bids received was so large that the report upon this subject has not yet been completed.

I have the honor to be, sir, very respectfully,

JNO. WANAMAKER,
Postmaster-General.

THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

